

Yeas—Mr. President, Avinger, Ball, Dillard, Dohoney, Finlay, Flanagan, Henry, King, Latimer, Ruby, Saylor, Sayers, Shelley, Swift, Tendick and Word—17.

Nays—Senators Baker, Broughton, Cole, Evans, Ford, Fountain, Hall, Pyle, Rawson, Randle and Tracy—11.

So the resolution was adopted.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of the business on the table.

Resolution authorizing the President to appoint post-master, pages and porters taken up, and on motion of Senator Cole, made special order of the day for Monday next at 11 o'clock.

Senator Latimer offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the secretary of the Senate be and he is hereby authorized to issue *per diem* certificates to the clerks and sergeant-at-arms officiating on the fourteenth and fifteenth days of January, before the organization of this body and the election of officers to fill said positions.

Adopted.

On motion of Senator Fountain, the chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings was requested to enclose the inner portion of the Senate Chamber with a railing.

On motion the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

SENATE CHAMBER,
AUSTIN, TEXAS, January 18, 1873. }

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Roll called; quorum present. Prayer by the chaplain.

Journal of yesterday read and adopted.

Senator Dohoney introduced a bill to organize courts of common pleas in Fannin and other counties. Read first time and referred to Committee on Judiciary No. 1.

Senator Dohoney introduced a joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge the opening of the Indian country north of Texas to settlement. Read first time and referred to Committee on Federal Relations.

Senator Dohoney introduced a bill to be entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to provide for the ap-

pointment, by the Governor, of certain officers to fill vacancies, approved June 28, 1870." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

On motion of Senator Ruby, Senator Hall was excused from attendance on the Senate until Monday next.

Senator Henry introduced a bill to repeal "An act to provide for the enrollment of the militia, the organization and discipline of the State guards, and for the public defense, approved June 24, 1870." Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Dillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Privileges and Elections be, and is hereby authorized to summon such persons as witnesses to appear before them and give evidence in all cases now pending before them, which they may deem necessary to their proper investigation and trial.

Senator Fountain moved to amend the resolution by adding, "and that the chairman be authorized to administer oaths." Adopted.

Senator Shelley offered the following amendment: After the word necessary, add "such papers and documents as they may deem necessary." Adopted.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

Senator Flanagan offered the following:

Resolved, That the sergeant-at-arms be instructed and authorized to hunt up and recover the furniture taken from the room of the President of the Senate, and fit up said room in good order for the use of the President of the Senate, and that said officer be fully authorized to hunt up and recover all the furniture belonging to the Senate Chamber, together with the rugs, etc.

Adopted.

Senator Ball offered the following:

Resolved, That the secretary of the Senate furnish the chairman of each standing committee with a copy of Paschal's Digest, to be used during the present session of the Senate, and upon the final adjournment to be returned to said secretary.

Senator Sayers proposed to amend by adding, "A sufficient number for all the Senators."

Adopted.

Resolution as amended was adopted.

On motion of Senator Shelley, the vote adopting the resolution was reconsidered.

Senator Shelley proposed to amend the resolution by "authorizing the secretary to procure only a sufficient number for the chairmen of committees."

Senator Finlay offered as a substitute, "that the secretary be authorized to procure thirty copies of said Digest for the use of the Senate," which was adopted.

Senator Cole introduced a bill for the relief of the heirs and assigns of Haynes Crabtree, deceased. Read first time and referred to Committee on Private Land Claims.

On motion of Senator Fountain, the Senate adjourned until Monday next, at 10 o'clock A. M.

SENATE CHAMBER,

AUSTIN, TEXAS, January 20, 1873.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by the chaplain. Roll called; quorum present.

The journal of Saturday was read and adopted.

Senator Ruby presented petition of Luke A. Falvel, of Galveston. Read and referred to Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Senator Baker offered a bill to amend "section twenty-eight, article twelve, of the Constitution of the State of Texas." Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Senator Sayers, chairman of Committee on Federal Relations, made the following report:

Hon. E. B. Pickett, President of the Senate.

SIR: Your committee to whom was referred a joint resolution, entitled "A joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge the opening of the Indian country north of Texas to settlement," have examined the same and report it back, recommending its passage.

J. D. SAYERS, Chairman.

Senator Tracy introduced a bill to change the name of the Houston and Great Northern railroad company.

Read first time and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Senator Sayers introduced a bill to incorporate the Colorado, Austin and Lampasas railway company.